



Public Works Department
City of Frisco, Texas

Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor Maso and Members of the Frisco City Council

Cc: Henry Hill, Deputy City Manager

From: Gary R. Hartwell, Director of Public Works

Date: 02/06/09

Agenda Caption: Consider and act upon adoption of a Resolution setting a Public Hearing on revisions to the currently adopted Water Conservation Plan and the Drought Contingency Plan. (Public Works)

Action Requested: City Council adoption of a Resolution at the February 17, 2009 meeting calling for a public hearing on proposed revisions to the Water Conservation Plan and Drought Contingency Plan for Tuesday, March 3, 2009.

Background Information: All public water suppliers are required by the Texas Administrative Code, Title 30, Part 1, Chapter 288, Subchapters A and B to adopt/update a water conservation plan and a drought contingency plan by May 1, 2009. One of the requirements includes this public hearing. These revisions are based on the revised model water conservation and drought contingency plans adopted by the Board of Directors of the North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) and the requirements of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Our water conservation and drought contingency plans have been developed into one proposed Water Management Plan and meets or exceeds all of the TCEQ requirements and is consistent with the NTMWD model plans.

The primary revisions include a drought contingency plan based solely upon water supply issues and reservoir capacity as defined by the NTMWD; modifying the time of day restrictions to coincide with daylight savings time; a water conservation plan specific to Frisco that incorporates a water efficiency plan

administered consistently year round, and two Frisco emergency service levels for water distribution system operations related to mechanical failures, power outages, water main breaks, or other critical issues.

The year-round water efficiency plan would include recommendations, requirements, and enforcement using daylight savings time as a basis. This plan also provides for mandatory outdoor watering twice per week every year in the months of July, August, and September. Staff will make a thorough presentation at the March 3 meeting.

Alternatives: The City Council could choose not to adopt the Resolution, therefore not initiating the process to update the current plans.

Financial Considerations: Not applicable.

Legal Review: The City Attorney's Office will review and approve as to form the ordinance, exhibits, and appendices necessary if that is the City Council's direction.

Supporting Documents:

- Resolution

Staff Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution initiating the process to consider adoption of the proposed changes to the current water conservation and drought contingency plans.